information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha

Non-inclusion of drugs for maternal and Child Health Programme under Price Control of the Drugs

151. SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY:
PROF. C. LAKSHMANNA:
SHRI RAM CHANDRA VIKAL:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Maternal and Child Health Programme is a National Programme and Iron, Folic Acid Tablets, Vitamin A solution are used under Proplyoxic Scheme; if so, what are the reasons for which Government did not recommend this programme and drugs used for this programme, for inclusion under price control;

(b) whether it is a fact that as per policy decision taken in 1986, all drugs needed for all National Health Programmes are to be covered under price control;

(c) if so, what are the reasons and factors under which Government deviated from the policy decision announced in December, 1986;

(d) whether there was any change in the policy;

(e) if so, the date when such a change was made;

(f) whether such a change has the approval of Cabinet; and

(g) if so, the date when the approval was obtained and what are the details of the changed policy?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI MOTI LAL VORA): (a) to (g) Government had recommended for inclusion under Category I of the Drugs Price Control Order, 1987, drugs identified for 8 National Health Programmes. Drugs for the Maternal and Child Health Programme, some of which are listed in Category-II, are being evaluated for Category-I price control recommendations to the Department of Chemicals and Petrochemicals. Policy decision regarding the Drugs Price Control Order is the responsibility of that Department.

Marketing of the STD Drugs

152. SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY:
SHRI RAM CHANDRA VIKAL:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question No. 1858 given on Rajya Sabha on 11th May, 1988 and state:

(a) what are the names of the drugs cleared for marketing for the treatment of STD;

(b) what is the strength and form under which each drug has been allowed for marketing for treatment of STD;

(c) what are the names of the drugs which have been classified as principal drugs for the treatment of STD;

(d) whether it is a fact that STD is covered under National Health Programme; and

(e) if so, whether Government have recommended this disease to be covered under category I?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI MOTI LAL VORA): (a) and (b) The names of drugs cleared for marketing of STD alongwith strength and form are given in the enclosed statement. (See below)

(c) to (e) STD is covered under the National Health Programmes. Drugs for this Programme are being evaluated for price control recommendations to the Department of Chemicals.